DISTRICT REPORTS.

8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season, tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, areas affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

11. Public health.

12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage, of fodder, etc.

BANGALORE CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION.

	Normal.	*Current.*	
Prices of food grains—Rice	... 10 to 11	6½ to 7	seers per rupee.
Ragi	... 25 to 30	16 to 17	

Manure is being collected.
Cattle are in good condition.
Water and fodder sufficient.
Much anxiety is felt among the raiyats for want of rain.

BANGALORE CITY AND TALUKS.

8. Market well supplied.

9. Standing crops are in good condition. Sugar-cane is being harvested in Bangalore and Channapatna, and resown in Bangalore. Otherwise agricultural operations are at a stand-still.

10. Prospects of the season depend on mungar rains. Rain is badly wanted throughout.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy. Water and fodder available. Temporary wells have been sunk in twenty-one villages of Nelamangala and in two tanks of Kankanhalli to meet the difficulty of water.

KOLAR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. Sugar-cane is being planted in Bowringpet, Chintamani, Sidlaghatta, Chikballapur and Goribidnur. Sugar-cane is also being milled in Kolar and Mulbagal. Vaisakhi paddy is being harvested in Sadali Hobli of Sidlaghatta and in Bagepalli; Kadale in Chikballapur and cholum in Bagepalli.

10. Prospects of the season depend upon early rains. Food stocks are available.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Fodder generally available, but the supply of water is running short, and wells in beds of tanks are sunk to meet the demand. Pasture in fields and grazing lands is almost exhausted.

TUMKUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. Paddy in Maddagiri, Sira, Pavagada and Koratagere, sugar-cane in Gubbi and Tumkur, cholum in Sira, kadale in Gubbi and cotton in Pavagada are being harvested. Sugar-cane in Maddagiri and Koratagere and nat-ragi in Pavagada are sown. Standing crops in Maddagiri, Sira, Pavagada and Kunigal are in pretty fair condition. Elsewhere they are reported to be withering for want of water. The following is the estimated outturn of crops :—

Maddagiri—Paddy 8 to 12 annas.
Sira—Paddy 4 to 8 annas, cholum 2 to 4 annas.
Gubbi—Sugar-cane and kadale 4 annas.
Pavagada—Paddy 8 annas, cotton 4 annas.
Koratagere—Paddy 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season not very encouraging. Food stocks are available for the present. Supply of water in wells is diminishing in several parts of the district. Mungar rains are anxiously awaited.

11. Public health generally good, except that small-pox prevails in parts of Tiptur, Kunigal and Turuvekere. It is reported that it is subsiding in Gubbi.

12. Cattle healthy, except that foot and mouth disease prevails in parts of Tiptur, Kunigal and Turuvekere. In parts of Sira, Tiptur and Turuvekere date leaves are used as fodder for cattle. Water is drawn from wells in most parts of the district for cattle to drink. Water and fodder are both getting scarce.

MYSORE.

8. Market well supplied. Prices are rising.

9. The standing mulberry, sugar-cane and cotton crops are reported to be fair in Chamrajnagar, Seringapatam, Malvalli and Krishnarajpete, and good in T.-Narsipur and Nagamangala. Lands in most parts of the district have been made ready for sowing, but no rain has fallen. Cholum has not been sown till now. The probable outturn of crops is as follows :—

T.-Narsipur—Sugar-cane and mulberry 12 annas.
Krishnarajpete—Sugar-cane 12 annas, black and green grams 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season not encouraging. The rainfall of the week has been very scanty and confined only to three taluks. Rain is anxiously awaited. Food stocks sufficient for the present.

11. Public health generally good, but small-pox still prevails in Heggaddevankote.

12. Cattle in parts of Chamrajnagar, Heggaddevankote and Malvalli are reported to be suffering from foot and mouth disease. In other parts they are reported to be healthy. Fodder and water are getting scarce in many parts of the district.

HASSAN.

8. Market fairly well supplied, but prices are high.

9. Standing crops, *viz.*, paddy in Hassan, Arsikere and Manjarabad, sugar-cane in Hassan, Arsikere, Channarayapatna, Belur, Arkalgud and Alur, and black and green grams and tadagani in Hole-Narsipur are reported to be withering for want of rain. The probable outturn of standing crops in Hole-Narsipur is estimated at 8 annas. Agricultural operations are retarded owing to want of rain.

10. Prospects of the season not promising, but depend upon early fall of rain. Food stocks are reported to be sufficient for the present. Rain is very badly needed in all parts.

11. Public health generally good. Small-pox is reported to be subsiding in several parts of the district.

12. Cattle generally healthy, but foot and mouth disease is reported to be still prevailing in parts of Hole-Narsipur, Belur, Manjarabad, Arsikere and Channarayapatna, as also the disease known as "*Metrigattu*" in parts of Arkalgud. Fodder and water generally available, except in parts of Channarayapatna and Arsikere, where difficulty is felt for both.

SHIMOGA.

8. Market well supplied. Prices high.

9. Kar paddy under Sulekere in Channagiri, Nagar and Sagar and sugar-cane in Sagar and Nagar are in a fair condition in areas where water is available. Sugar-cane plants are reported to be withering in the Sorab Taluk. In parts of Nagar and Sorab the ground is being ploughed and manure collected in expectation of rains.

10. A very slight shower of rain fell in Shimoga and Sagar. The heat is intense and rain is anxiously awaited everywhere. Food stocks are procurable for the present.

11. Public health generally good. Small-pox prevails in some localities of the Shimoga, Channagiri and Sagar Taluks and fever exists in the Kumsi Sub-Taluk.

12. Except in Sagar, Nagar and Tirthahalli, fodder supply is limited, and the fodder that is available is highly priced. Scarcity of water is on the increase in all taluks.

KADUR.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. Sugar-cane is being planted in parts of Tarikere and Koppa. The standing crops, *viz.*, kar paddy and sugar-cane in parts of Kadur and Chikmagalur are in fairly good condition; and sugar-cane in parts of Lakkavalli Hobli of the Tarikere Taluk are not flourishing for want of water. Cotton in parts of Tarikere and sugar-cane in parts of Kadur are being harvested. Ploughing and other agricultural operations are delayed for want of rain.

10. Prospects of the season fair, but rain is badly needed throughout. Food stocks available and sufficient for the present.

11. Public health generally good, except that small-pox prevails in parts of Chikmagalur, Mudgere, Koppa and Kadur.

12. Foot and mouth disease to cattle is reported to be subsiding, except in parts of Kadur and Koppa, but no mortality is reported. Water and fodder are generally available. Water-supply is scanty in parts of Chikmagalur, Tarikere, Kadur, Koppa and Yedahalli.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Market well supplied.

9. The outturn of crops harvested during the week is as follows:—

Chitaldrug—Sugar-cane 10 annas.
Hiriyur—Ragi, wheat and kadale 2 annas; ballar, togari and cotton 4 annas; paddy under kapile wells 8 to 10 annas.
Holalkere—Paddy 8 annas.
Davangere—Sugar-cane 4 to 8 annas.
Molakalmuru—Paddy 8 annas and onions 6 annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair. Food stocks available.

11. Public health good.

12. Cattle healthy. Water and fodder procurable in limited quantities.

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